



# Press Release

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The Lake County Sheriff's Office is currently investigating three (3) *Burglaries* that occurred over the weekend.

On 4-7-2012 Sheriff's Deputies were dispatched to 1883 Marsh Lane in Painesville Township. The resident at that address reported that she found her front door kicked open. The burglar entered her home between the hours of 3:30pm and 9:30pm. The drawers in the home were opened and contents emptied onto the bed. Jewelry was taken valued between \$500 and \$1,000.

While checking the area Deputies found that the residence at 1871 Marsha Lane had also been entered. The burglar also kicked in the front door in the same fashion as 1883 Marsh Lane. No valuables were reported missing.

On 4-8-2012, at 2:24 am, Sheriff's Deputies were dispatched to 616 Fiddler's Way in Painesville Township. Sometime between the hours of 6:30 pm and 2:20 am a burglar entered the home and went through the drawers in bedrooms, as well as the jewelry boxes. It is believed that the person entered the residence through an unlocked rear door. However, no property was reported as missing.

At the present time the Marsh Lane burglaries, and the burglary at Fiddler's Way, appear to be unrelated. However, as the Sheriff's Office continues to investigate these crimes we are asking that anyone having information concerning these burglaries to contact the Sheriff's Office at 350-5620.

It is recommended that all residents keep good inventories of all of your personal belongings so you can accurately report any missing property in your home. Such information is key to an investigation by law enforcement. Having recent photographs of your property, especially jewelry and other valuables, aids in locating and identifying recovered items. Engraving valuables for quick identification discourages criminals, and makes property identification much easier.

As the nice weather comes to Northeast Ohio the Sheriff's Office again encourages all residents to be vigilant regarding home security. The most common threat to our home is burglary. Burglary occurs somewhere in the United States every 15.4 seconds. Many of home and apartment burglaries occur during the daytime when most people are away at work or school.

Although home burglaries may seem random in occurrence, they actually involve a selection process. Statistically the months of July and August have the most burglaries while February has the fewest crimes. Most often burglaries are committed by young males under 25 looking for items that are small, expensive, and can easily be converted to cash such as cash, jewelry, guns, watches, laptop computers, CDs and other small electronic devices. Visit the Lake County Sheriff's Office website at:

<http://www.lakecountyohio.gov/LakeCountyOhioSheriffHomeSecurity/tabid/1346/Default.aspx> for a few suggestion to minimize your risk by making your home unattractive to potential burglars.

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